

Paul R. Sweeney

After spending forty years in banking, Paul R. Sweeney retired as President and CEO of Old National Bank in 2002 in Vincennes, where he was born and has lived most of his life in a rural farm area in Knox County. Mr. Sweeney began his career in banking in 1961 as a part time teller while attending college. After college graduation, he became employed with the Indiana Department of Financial Institutions as a bank examiner for three years. After this job, he joined the audit staff of George S. Olive & Company in Indianapolis. He continued in this job until he took the position of Auditor at Vincennes Security Bank and Trust Co., which later became Old National Bank. While in banking, he served as President of Region 8 of the Indiana Bankers Association, as well as President of Indiana Chapter of Bank Administration and the Vincennes Chapter of American Institute of Banking. During this time, he was an Adjunct Professor in banking and finance at Vincennes University.

Mr. Sweeney has been and continues to serve on numerous civic, community and state boards. In the past, he has served on the Board of Trustees for Vincennes University for fifteen years. On the state level, he was on the Board of Trustees at the Indiana State Museum and for fourteen years he was elected to the Indiana Historical Society Board where he served as Treasurer. Mr. Sweeney is currently and actively involved in the following organizations: Knox County Hospital Association (President), South Knox School Building Corporation (President), Knox County Area Development Corporation (Director), Old Northwest Corporation (President), Knox County Association for Retarded Citizens (Chairman of the Board), South Knox Service Club (Treasurer), Verne Society (President), Vincennes University Foundation (Director), Indiana Presbyterian Church (Elder), Life After Meth which is a faith based organization (Director and Treasurer), Knox County Chamber of Commerce, and Vincennes Kiwanis Club.

Due to his contributions to his community and to the State of Indiana, he has received the following awards: Sagamore of the Wabash, Vincennes University Faculty Citation, Knox County Chamber of Commerce Community Service, Monroe City High School Distinguished Alumni, and the Dr. Philip Shelton Humanitarian Award.

Mr. Sweeney served six years in the United States Army Reserve during the Vietnam era. He is a graduate of Vincennes University, Indiana State University, and Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University.